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SUBJECT: EXBS: TURKEY ADVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT- (APR 2007)

REF: 2004 STATE 146478

¶1. Summary: The Wisconsin Project Team provided a presentation on their open source database to Government of Turkey (GOT) representatives. The database will assist GOT officials to process export licenses and investigate suspect companies/individuals. Department of Commerce contractors completed training of Internal Control Program (ICP) instructors; these instructors will serve as key contacts during the upcoming deployment of ICP software to Turkish businesses. Continued coordination to prepare the Turkish National Police and Customs officials to participate in US training events. End Summary.

¶2. Completed Actions for the Reporting Period

¶A. Site Assessment and Meetings During Recent Reporting Period:

1.) Apr 18 - EXBS Advisor met with Customs International Director General Riza Mehmet Korkmaz to review upcoming cooperation activities and proposed schedules. EXBS Advisor presented a proposal for Turkish Custom participation in CBP's International Rail Interdiction Training (IRIT) and International Air Cargo Interdiction Training (IACIT); also discussed was a Targeting and Risk Management Workshop to be held in July, focusing on truck and vehicle traffic. Finally, EXBS Advisor proposed the visit of a senior CBP training expert to begin investigating areas of cooperation between the U.S. and Turkey in the development of the new Turkish Customs training academy. Korkmaz expressed appreciation and support for the proposed engagement.

2.) Apr 19 - EXBS Advisor met with Undersecretariat of Foreign Trade (UFT) Agreements Department Head Ziya Demirduzen to review the progress of the ICP project and to prepare for the upcoming ICP instructor training. According to Demirduzen, UFT has been in contact with the local contractor, Docuart, and all preparations are being completed for the training. Demirduzen added that participants for the training will come from not only UFT but also from Istanbul Mineral and Metal Association (IMMIB). This diverse group should be able to fully support a rapid deployment of the ICP. Demirduzen inquired into the possible participation of

GOT officials at the UGA Center of International Trade and Security Academy. According to Demirduzen this training, which was outlined at the recent Export Control Symposium, would be beneficial for UFT officials engaged in revising Turkish export laws. EXBS Advisor offered to try to obtain additional information and seats in the course.

3.) Apr 26 - EXBS Advisor met with Customs Enforcement Deputy Director General Mehmet Guzel to discuss proposed training opportunities for Turkish Customs officials with Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and DOE. EXBS Advisor continued coordination of Turkish Customs participation in the International Rail Interdiction Training in June and the planned land-based Targeting and Risk Management workshop in July. EXBS Advisor also proposed Turkish Customs participation in an upcoming DOE Radiation Interdiction Training in late July or early August. He provided additional information on the upcoming visit of a CBP training expert in June to discuss areas of cooperation in the development of the Turkish Customs training academy. Finally, Guzel reviewed recent significant activities by Customs Enforcement.

IB. Training Conducted During Reporting Period:

1.) Apr 25 - Wisconsin Risk Report Presentation. Twelve members representing Turkish MFA, UFT, Turkish Atomic Energy Authority (TAEK), Ministry of Defense and Customs attended the presentation given by representatives of the Wisconsin Project. The Wisconsin Project team explained that the report was created through the review of a wide range of open source material. They also demonstrated how various information could be researched and retrieved from the data base. Positive feedback was provided by all in attendance and it was agreed by the group that this new tool will benefit government officials responsible for the review license application and investigation of end user compliance.

2.) Apr 30- May 4 - ICP Instructor Training, Ankara. Five member of UFT and three from IMMIB were provided instructor training and overall familiarization with the new Turkish version of the Internal Control Program. Each participant was given classroom instruction, including practical application in the next phase of the ICP project. All eight successfully completed the training and will serve as key contacts in the future deployment of the ICP to Turkish industries.

IC. Equipment Delivered During Reporting Period: None

ID. Imminent Training or Equipment Status Update:

1.) June 2 - 9 - Turkish National Police Officers to attend DOE RADACAD Training in Richland, WA.

2.) June 9 - 23 - Turkish Foreign Trade and Customs Officials to attend UGA Export Control Academy in Athens GA.

3.) June 9 -17 - Turkish Customs Officers to attend International Rail Interdiction Training Course, El Paso, Texas.

4.) Jun/Jul - Delivery of ZVB Back Scatter Van to Turkish Customs.

IE. Significant Developments in Export Controls, Nonproliferation, or Related Border Security: None

I3. Future Activities

IA. June 2 - 9 - Twenty-Four Turkish National Police Officers to attend DOE RADACAD Training in Richland, WA.

IB. June 9 - 23 - Two Turkish Foreign Trade and one Customs official to attend UGA Export Control Academy in Athens GA.

IC. Jun 9 -17 - Sixteen Turkish Customs officers to attend International Rail Interdiction Training Course, El Paso, Texas.

ID. Jun 11- 12 - Visit by CBP Training Expert to develop course of action to support development of Turkish Customs Officer Academy.

IE. Jun 18-21 - EXBS Advisor to attend EXBS Advisor conference in Vienna.

IF. Jul 8-14 - CBP to conduct Land Based Targeting and Risk Management Course, Ankara.

IG. Jul 20 - 28 - Twelve Turkish Customs Officers to attend International Air Cargo Interdiction Training Course, New York, NY.

IH. Jul 30- Aug 4 - Twenty-Four Turkish Customs Officers to attend DOE RADACAD Training in Richland, WA.

II. Sep 12 -22 - Eighteen Turkish Customs Officers to attend International Sea Port Interdiction Training Course, Charleston, SC.

I4. Red Flag Issues: None

I5. Contact Information for EXBS Adviser) Kevin Lyon, phone (90)(312) 457-7210, fax (90)(312) 468-4775, email LyonK@state.gov. Please note: Embassy just completed new phone system installation and phone extensions have changed. Main Embassy phone number remains (90)(312)455-5555.

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